Bid No. 14-0281 City Project Number 0753TR S.P. 118-148-008; Minnesota Project No.: STPM 6914(185) 10th Avenue East Reconstruction Bid Opening Date: May 27, 2014

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed proposals will be received until 2:00 PM local time, Tuesday, May 27, 2014 by Dennis Sears, Purchasing Agent for the City of Duluth, Room 100 City Hall, Duluth, Minnesota 55802 on behalf of the Commissioner of Transportation as agent for said City for the construction of the project listed below. Proposals will be opened and read publicly by the City Purchasing Agent or his representative at the City Hall in Duluth, Minnesota in Room 106A immediately after the hour set for receiving bids.

Minimum wage rates to be paid by the Contractors have been predetermined and are subject to the Work Hours Act of 1962, P.L. 87-581 and implementing regulations.

READ CAREFULLY THE WAGE SCALES AND DIVISION A OF THE SPECIAL PROVISIONS AS THEY AFFECT THIS/THESE PROJECT/PROJECTS

The Minnesota Department of Transportation hereby notifies all bidders: in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Act), as amended and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Subtitle A Part 21, Non-discrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation, it will affirmatively assure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded maximum opportunity to participate and/or to submit bids in response to this invitation, and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, disability, age, religion, sex or national origin in consideration for an award;

in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended, and Title 23, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 230 Subpart A-Equal Employment Opportunity on Federal and Federal-Aid Construction Contracts (including supportive services), it will affirmatively assure increased participation of minority groups and disadvantaged persons and women in all phases of the highway construction industry, and that on any project constructed pursuant to this advertisement equal employment opportunity will be provided to all persons without regard to their race, color, disability, age, religion, sex or national origin;

in accordance with the Minnesota Human Rights Act, Minnesota Statute 363A.08 Unfair discriminatory Practices, it will affirmatively assure that on any project constructed pursuant to this advertisement equal employment opportunity will be offered to all persons without regard to race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, marital status, status with regard to public assistance, membership or activity in a local commission, disability, sexual orientation, or age;

in accordance with the Minnesota Human Rights Act, Minnesota Statute

363A.36 Certificates of Compliance for Public Contracts, and 363A.37 Rules for Certificates of Compliance, it will assure that appropriate parties to any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement possess valid Certificates of Compliance.

If you are not a current holder of a compliance certificate issued by the Minnesota Department of Human Rights and intend to bid on any job in this advertisement you must contact the Department of Human Rights immediately for assistance in obtaining a certificate.

The following notice from the Minnesota Department of Human Rights applies to all contractors:

"It is hereby agreed between the parties that Minnesota Statute, section 363A.36 and Minnesota Rules, parts 5000.3400 to 5000.3600 are incorporated into any contract between these parties based on this specification or any modification of it. A copy of Minnesota Statute 363A.36 and Minnesota Rules, parts 5000.3400 to 5000.3600 is available upon request from the contracting agency."

"It is hereby agreed between the parties that this agency will require affirmative action requirements be met by contractors in relation to Minnesota Statute 363A.36 and Minnesota Rules 5000.3600. Failure by a contractor to implement an affirmative action plan or make a good faith effort shall result in revocation of its certificate or revocation of the contract (Minnesota Statute 363A.36, Subd. 2 and 3)."

A minimum goal of 3.2 % Good Faith Effort to be subcontracted to Disadvantaged Business Enterprises.

Questions pertaining to this project should be directed to: Greg Stoewer, Project Engineer, City of Duluth Engineering Department, Phone 730-5109.

The work is reconstruction of public utilities (water distribution, sanitary sewer collection, storm sewer, cured-in-place piping), reconstruction of 3 signal systems, roadway and sidewalks of 10^{th} Avenue East, from Superior Street to 5^{th} Street.

Each bidder must review the 2013 edition of the City of Duluth Public Works/Utilities Department, Engineering Division Standard Construction Specifications and any amendments on the city website (www.duluthmn.gov) as these Specifications are incorporated by reference and adeemed to be a part hereof this project as if fully incorporated and set forth herein.

Plans and specifications may be secured from the office of the City Engineering Division, 211 City Hall, 411 West First Street, Duluth, MN. 55802, at a cost of \$50.00.

A Certified check or bank draft, payable to the City of Duluth, negotiable U.S. Government Bonds (at par value), or a satisfactory bid bond executed by the bidder and acceptable surety, in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total bid, shall be submitted with each bid.

Unless a Certificate of Exemption is provided, any out-of-state bidder receiving a bid award will have 8% retained from invoice payments on any contracts over \$50,000. Submit a signed copy from the State of Minnesota when submitting Payment and Performance Bonds. This form may be found at the following web address: http://taxes.state.mn.us/Forms_and_Instructions/sde.pdf

Attention is called to the fact that not less than the minimum salaries and wages as set forth in the contract documents must be paid on this project. The contractor must take affirmative action to ensure that the employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, creed, sex or national origin, and must meet the affirmative actions goals. Contractors are encouraged to subcontract with Disadvantage Business Enterprises when possible.

The City of Duluth is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Date posted to web: May 5, 2014

CITY OF DULUTH

Dennis Sears Purchasing Agent